Zero Waste Advisory Commission Hauler Ordinance Recommendation

On June 13, the Zero Waste Advisory Commission (ZWAC) voted 6-0 to recommend to the Austin City Council the adoption of the proposed revisions to Chapter 15-6 of the City Code in regards to Private Hauler Services within the city limits of Austin.

This recommendation is conditional on replacing staff-proposed language regarding the appeal process as noted in Section 15-6-59. After consideration of the private hauler concerns, the ZWAC recommendation includes the following change.

Staff Proposed Language:

- **PART 14**. Chapter 15-6 (*Solid Waste Services*), Article 3, of the City Code (*Private Solid Waste Collection Service*), §15-6-59 (*Appeal*) is
- (F) <u>The Code Compliance Director's decision may be appealed to the City Manager not later than thirty days after the decision of the Code Compliance Director. The City Manager's decision regarding this appeal shall be final.</u>

ZWAC Proposed Language:

- **PART 14**. Chapter 15-6 (*Solid Waste Services*), Article 3, of the City Code (*Private Solid Waste Collection Service*), §15-6-59 (*Appeal*) is
- (F) The Code Compliance Director's decision may be appealed to the City Manager not later than thirty days after the decision of the Code Compliance Director. The City Manager's decision regarding this appeal shall be final.
- (G) <u>The City Manager's decision may be appealed to the City Council not later than sixty days after the decision of the City Manager. The City Council decision regarding this appeal shall be final.</u>

ZWAC Minutes reflect:

A motion to amend the draft hauler ordinance PART 14, Chapter 15-6, Article 3, of the City Code §15-6-59 to add "The City Manager's decision may be appealed to the City Council not later than sixty days after the decision of the City Manager. The City Council decision regarding this appeal shall be final" was made by Commissioner Fayez Kazi, with a friendly amendment from Commissioner Brent Perdue to remove "The City Manager's decision regarding this appeal shall be final", the motion received a second from Commissioner Cathy Gattuso, and passed on a 6-0-0 vote, with Commissioner Rick Cofer absent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fayez Kazi to recommend an ordinance amending City Code Chapter 15-6, relating to private solid waste collection service, reporting of solid waste, recyclables, and organic materials, vehicle and container licensing, and education to ensure solid waste hauler compliance with sanitary and safety standards for solid waste collection vehicles and containers and reporting requirements with the addition of the above noted recommendation, the motion received a second from Commissioner Cathy Gattuso, and passed on a 6-0-0 vote, with Commissioner Rick Cofer absent.